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1. DURING HIS RECENT VISIT HERE, [ ] ASKED US WHAT WE  
NEW ABOUT JACQUES ((VERGES)), THE LAWYER WHO DEFENDED TERRORISTS  
REGUET AND KOPP. UNFORTUNATELY WE HAVE LITTLE INFORMATION ON  
VERGES' WHEREABOUTS IN THE MID-70'S, WHICH WAS [ ]  
SPECIFIC INTEREST.

2. FOLLOWING ARE HQS TRACES ON JACQUES CAMILLE RAYMOND  
(VERGES), AKA JACQUES MANSOUR ((VERGES)) EXTRACTED FROM HIS  
[ ] IT MAY BE PASSED TO [ ] AT [ ] DISCRETION.

A. VERGES (V) WAS BORN 5 MARCH 1925 IN THAILAND, THE SON  
OF A FRENCH FATHER AND A VIETNAMESE MOTHER WHO DIED IN 1928. HIS  
FATHER, RAYMOND ((VERGES)), A MEDICAL DOCTOR, WAS FOUNDER OF THE  
COMMUNIST PARTY OF REUNION; HE DIED IN 1957. V'S TWIN BROTHER  
PAUL ((VERGES)) WAS SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF  
REUNION IN 1965 AND AT THAT TIME WAS REPORTEDLY IN HIDING ON  
REUNION. A REPORT DATED 1964 STATED: "IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO  
SEPARATE THE ACTIONS OF THE VERGES BROTHERS WHO HAVE SUPPLEMENTED  
EACH OTHER THROUGHOUT THEIR ENTIRE LIVES. JACQUES COMMITTED TO  
TEACHING THE INTELLECTUALS AND PAUL ENTRUSTED WITH DIRECT ACTION  
NO. COORDINATION."

B. V JOINED THE FREE FRENCH FORCES AT 17 DURING WWII.  
HE RESUMED STUDENT LIFE AFTERWARD AND WAS ACTIVE IN LEFTING  
STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS. HE MAINTAINED A LONGSTANDING (1947-56)  
RELATIONSHIP WITH THE COMMUNIST FRONT INTERNATIONAL UNION OF  
STUDENTS AND WITH COMMUNIST-INFLUENCED AFRICAN STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS  
IN FRANCE AND AFRICA. IN THIS CAPACITY HE WAS INVITED TO PRAGUE  
HERE HE STAYED FROM 1952-54. HE COMPLETED HIS LAW STUDIES IN  
PARIS AT THE SORBONNE.

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D. V WENT TO ALGERIA IN 1961. BECAME A MUSLEM AND TOOK ALGERIAN CITIZENSHIP. HE WAS HEAD OF THE AFRICAN SECTION OF THE INNISITRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND DIRECTOR OF PUBLICATIONS UNDER THE POLITICAL BUREAU OF THE FLN. HE WAS ASSOCIATED WITH AHMED BEN BELLA BUREAU OF THE FLN. HE WAS CLOSELY RELATED WITH MOHAMMED (KHIOUDER), RABAH BELLA BUT HIS CLOSEST TIES WERE WITH MOHAMMED (KHIOUDER). HE START REVOLUTION IN AFRICAIN". AN ALGERIAN WEEKLY WHICH HE DIRECTED DURING SEVERAL MONTHS UNTIL HE WAS DISMISSED BY BEN BELLA CA. 1963 AT HE TIME OF ALAFAFIRE KHIOUDER ET BOUDIAB FOR NOT SUPPORTING BEN BELLA'S POSITION.

E. IN 1963. V ACCOMPANIED DJAMILA BOUDHIRED TO CHINA. THE CHINESE NATIONAL UNION OF JOURNALISTS INVITED DJAMILA, WHO THEY CONSIDERED THE NUMBER ONE HEROINE OF THE ALGERIAN WAR. BECAUSE OF DJAMILA'S POPULARITY (A BOOK ABOUT HER WAS PUBLISHED IN CHINA), V STAYED AN INTERVIEW WITH MAO TSE-TUNG.

F. FOLLOWING THE CHINA TRIP, V RETURNED TO ALGERIA. HERE HE ORGANIZED AN INTERNATIONAL PRO-CHINESE MAGAZINE EALLED REVOLUTION-AFRICA, LATIN AMERICA AND ASIA. NILS ANDERSSON, A SWISS COMMUNIST BOOK DISTRIBUTOR AND WELL-KNOWN AGENT OF THE CHINESE COMMUNISTS, DIRECTED THE MAGAZINE'S LAUSANNE OFFICE.

G. A 1965 ASSESSMENT STATES THAT V HAD NO DEEP IDEOLO-  
GICAL COMMITS. HE WAS PETTY, SELF-CENTERED AND GVEROUS WITH MONEY ONLY WHEN HE FELT HE COULD BENEFIT FROM THE GENEROSITY. HE WAS A GRAND PATRON WHO ALWAYS TRAVELED FIRST CLASS. A SHORT MAN, HE HAD A DEEP-SETTED DESIRE TO BE BIG, TO BE KNOWN AND TAKE OUT.

C. V LEFT THE FRENCH COMMUNIST PARTY IN 1957 WHEN HE JOINED THE PLN. HE BECAME HEAD OF THE PLN'S LEGAL DEFENSE TEAM AND HANDLED LARGE SUMS OF MONEY CONTRIBUTED TO THE PLN BY ALGERIANS IN FRANCE AND DEPENDED ON THE PLN FOR MONEY. HE ALGERIANS CHARGED AND IMPRISONED BY THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT. AMONG THOSE HE DEFENDED WAS A HERDINE OF THE ALGERIAN WAR, DUMILLA (BOUHIRED). WHOM HE EVENTUALLY MARRIED IN 1965. THEY HAD A DAUGHTER IN 1966. V HAS A SON. NOW IN HIS EARLY 30'S, FROM A PREVIOUS MARRIAGE TO A FRENCHWOMAN, NAME UNKNOWN).

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He, in January 1976 NILS ANDERSSON REPORTEDLY SAID THAT HE AD NO IDEA WHERE V WAS. HE HAD NOT HAD ANY CONTACT WITH V FOR ANY YEARS, IN FACT SINCE 1964 WHEN V AND HE QUARRELED AND WENT HEIR SEPARATE WAYS. HE HAD HEARD OF V'S DISAPPEARANCE IN SPAIN SOME YEARS AGO". HE PRESUMED THAT V MIGHT, AS SOME PEOPLE MAINTAINED, HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE EXILED ALGERIAN LEADER MOHAMMED KHIDER AND THE FORTUNE THAT KHIDER HELD IN THE NAME OF THE LN. ANDERSSON FELT THAT V MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH SOME PALESTINIAN TERRORIST ORGANIZATION SUCH AS BLACK SEPTEMBER. RENEE (ANDERSSON), WIFE OF NILS, REPORTEDLY SAID SHE FELT CERTAIN THAT V HAD BEEN INVOLVED AT ONE TIME WITH BLACK SEPTEMBER, EVEN IF HE WERE NO LONGER WITH THAT GROUP. SHE THOUGHT THAT V HAD CULTIVATED GOOD CONTACTS WITH THE PALESTINIANS AND, IF HE HAD BEEN OBLIGED TO GO INTO HIDING, IT WAS PROBABLY EITHER WITH THEIR ASSISTANCE OR BECAUSE OF HIS INVOLVEMENT WITH THEM. ANDERSSON SAID THAT PATRICK (KESSEL), A FORMER ASSOCIATE OF V, HAD VISITED ALBANIA AND ESTABLISHED GOOD RELATIONS WITH THE ALBANIAN FOREIGN LANGUAGE PUBLISHING HOUSE. ANDERSSON DID NOT BELIEVE THAT KESSEL, WHO HAD ALSO QUARRELED WITH V IN 1964 OR 65, HAD RENEWED CONTACTS WITH V.

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